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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: US NAVAL TASK FORCE IN INDIAN OCEAN

1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH INDIAN FOREIGN SECRETARY
NOVEMBER 1 (SEPTEL), SECRETARY SAID HE WANTED TO EMPHA-
SIZE THAT US NAVAL TASK FORCE NOW IN INDIAN OCEAN WAS
THERE SIMPLY BECAUSE THERE NO OTHER WAY FOR IT TO MOVE
FROM PACIFIC TO ARABIAN SEA EXCEPT VIA INDIAN OCEAN.
SAID HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO CONSIDER WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY
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GIVING OCEAN A NAME - THAT WAS SOMEWHAT MORE NEUTRAL IN
CHARACTER, BUT IN MEANTIME FACT THAT TASK FORCE
HAPPENED NOW TO BE IN INDIAN OCEAN WAS OF NO SIGNIFICANCE
FOR INDIA.

2. AT NO POINT WOULD SHIPS PASS WITHIN HUNDRED MILES OF INDIA AND THERE WOULD BE NO PORT CALLS IN ANY NEIGHBORING COUNTRY. ITS DESTINATION WAS THE ARABIAN SEA AND IT WAS SIMPLY STEAMING PAST INDIA. ITS PRESENCE HAD NO RELATIONSHIP TO ANY OF COUNTRIES IN SOUTH ASIA.

3. SECRETARY ADDED HE HAD SEEN SWARAN SINGH'S PUBLIC STATEMENT AND APPRECIATED ITS RESTRAINT.

4. FOREIGN SECRETARY SINGH MADE NO COMMENT OTHER THAN EXPRESSION OF THANKS FOR INFORMATION AND PROMISE TO PASS IT TO FOREIGN MINISTER. KISSINGER

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